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Friends,

We are hard at work planning our fall conference, "Building a Collective Voice of Moral Leadership" (Friday Nov. 8 at Marygrove University in Detroit).

Help us make this our best event yet by [taking our survey](#). **Deadline: tomorrow, June 26.**

Thank you!



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An Interfaith Response for Climate Action Event in Bayview, June 26 at 7pm

This event is brought to you by Michigan IPL's brand new Northern MI Chapter.

ANSWERING THE CALL: *An Interfaith Response for Climate Action*

SHARE *an indigenous perspective on reclaiming relationships of respect and gratitude, and the science that calls for unprecedented action.*

LEARN *from congregations putting faith into action and from community leaders on how we can make a difference.*

BUILD *inspiration and commitment. Equip yourself and your congregation for action.*

**Wednesday, June 26, 2019 • 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Voorhies Hall • Bay View, Michigan**

Join this special congregational event as we share messages of hope, inspiration and action for healing the world.

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- Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation •

Contact Rev. Deb Hansen • debhansenmail@gmail.com

[Check out the program.](#) RSVPs not required.

How can YOU Act on Climate?

From coastal cities to the Midwest, Americans are demanding and developing real solutions in the face of climate change, in spite of inaction at the federal level.

Showing this film is a good opportunity to spark the conversation in your congregation about what you can do to help the United States meet its CO2 emission reduction goals.

[Sign up to share this inspiring National Geographic film with your faith community and receive a free DVD here.](#)

Our goal is for 50 Michigan faith communities to show this film. Be a part of it!



Click [here](#) to:

- Watch the trailer
- Request a free DVD (film is 1 hour and 17 minutes) and hosting guide

Hosts will receive IPL's hosting guide that includes faith-based questions for discussion and a helpful toolkit for event planning.

Hosting a screening – with as few as 10 people – makes a huge difference when we have hundreds of screenings around the country!

Detroiters Speak Up for Energy Affordability, Community Ownership and Healthy Communities

On Thursday of last week, the MI Public Service Commission (the state agency that regulates our utilities) made a rare visit to Detroit to hear what the public had to say about DTE Energy's Integrated Resource Plan, a document that lays out how the utility intends to meet energy demand over the next 15 years.



"DTE's IRP or 15 year plan is downright dangerous," said pro-solar advocate Shimekia Nichols (pictured above) of [Soulardarity](#). "It runs against job creation. It does little if anything to slow or stop global warming, which includes record floods, fires, storms, and drought that come with global warming." [Read the full article.](#)

You can speak up for clean, just energy by [sending a comment to the MI Public Service Commission](#).

Get involved by liking the [Work for Me, DTE Facebook page](#).

Smaller Energy Bill, Bigger Ministry

Our energy programs for congregations got a gorgeous write up in the MI United Methodist Conference newsletter.

Check out the [article](#) AND-- for Pete's sake-- sign up for our [free energy efficiency program for houses of worship!](#)



DTE Rate Case Update

A lot was on the line in DTE Energy's recent rate case, including the possibility of a 20% rate hike and a serious cut to the \$ value of solar that rooftop solar owners receive for the energy they sell back to the grid.



The long and short of it is: we're not fully satisfied with the decision, but it wasn't as disastrous as it could have been. Our advocacy continues with the Public Service Commission as they consider DTE's Integrated Resource Plan (described above).

[Read more about the rate case decision here.](#)

Upcoming events:

July 26 - [Environmental Resource Gala](#), St. Peter's Church (Detroit), 6-8:30pm

September 25 - [Conference: Rise Up & Drawdown](#), DeVos Place (Grand Rapids), 8:30am-5pm

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